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TITLE OF INVENTION: SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT TESTING SYSTEM AND METHOD

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Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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